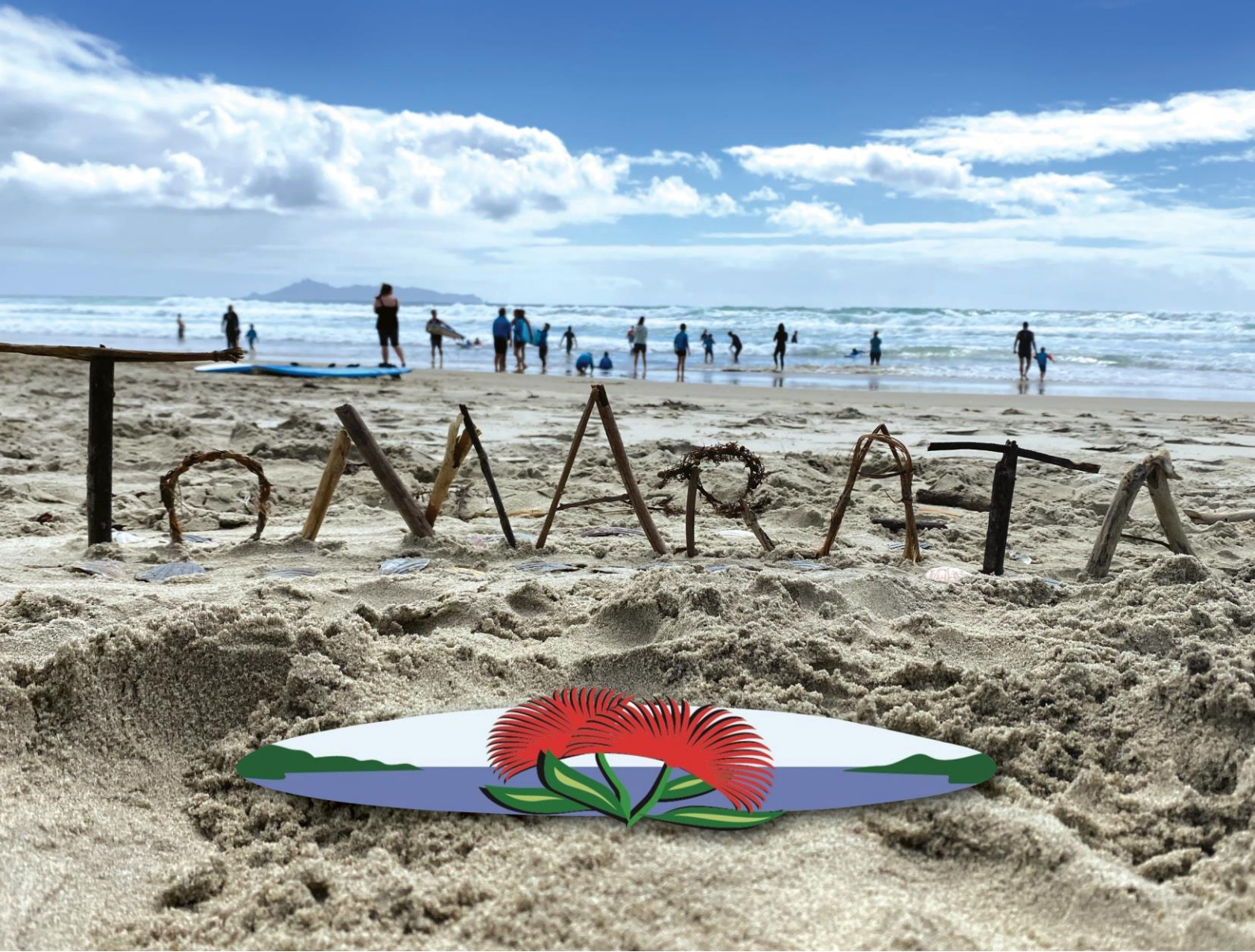




Tomarata School Newsletter

Week 1, Term 2, 2025





Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to term two at Tomarata School. It's going to be such a fun term of learning here at school, with all classrooms focusing on dance, drama and music, as we explore the theme *Bringing Stories to Life*.

In order for us to ensure the safety of all students at school, we are wanting to tighten up the way that students are picked up after school at the top gate. We have instructed students to go and wait in the gazebo after school when the bell goes. Parents can pick students up from the gate, but we ask that students don't just open the gate and walk out without an adult there to supervise.

In the next week or so, you will receive a copy of the Tomarata School Handbook. This is something that we have been working on since the start of the year. The purpose of the handbook, is to give our community information about how the school runs. It contains an A-Z covering everything from Assemblies to Lost Property to Whānau House Groups.

Another thing that we have been working on, is the initial planning for our end of year camp at Camp Bentzon. Last night at the School Board meeting, the initial plan for the camp was approved, meaning that I can confirm to our community that from November the 24th to 28th, we will be taking our year 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 students to Kawau Island for an outdoor education camp.

In order to deliver this camp, we need to have parents come along to help out. The camp is from Monday to Friday, and parents wanting to help would need to stay for the full week to help with the logistics and smooth running of the event.

There will be more detailed information shortly, but parents are invited to get in touch with Heather in the office if you are available to come along.

Lastly, a huge thank you to our PTA for hosting the Glow Disco last term. We raised nearly \$800 to go towards the school camp. Tomorrow, the PTA are putting on a Friday Feast of nachos. It's great to be able to offer these exciting food options for our students. We couldn't do it without the help of our dedicated parents.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King

This Handbook provides whānau with a reference point as to the various processes, events and programmes associated with Tomarata School. We hope that you find this resource useful. The information in the Handbook is correct as of March 2025.



What's Coming Up

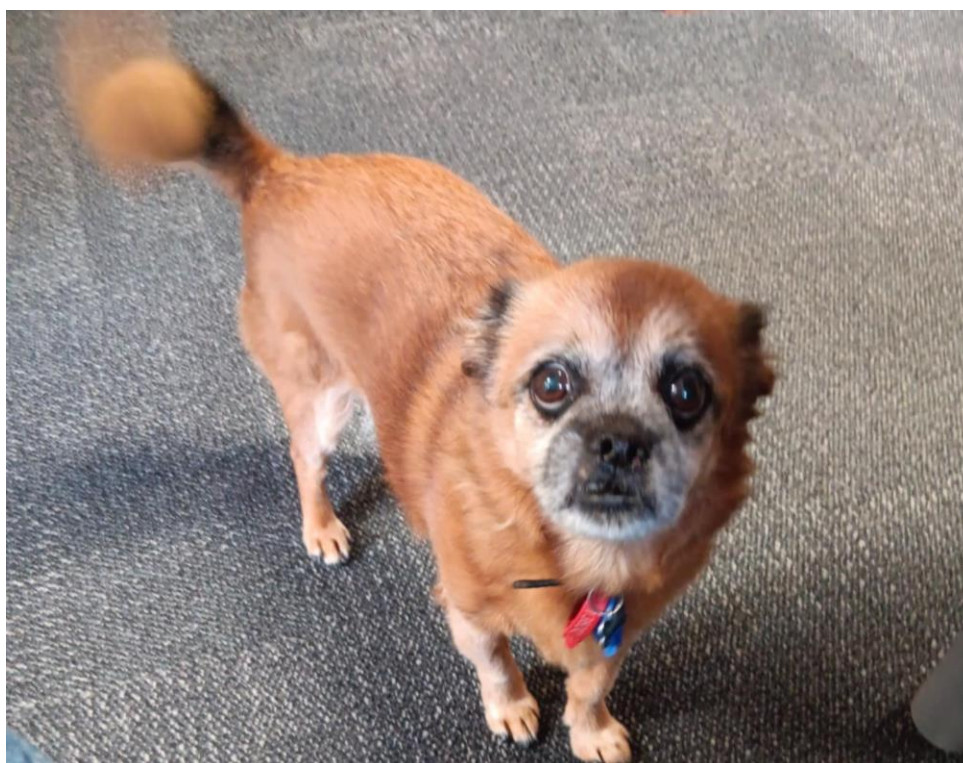


Friday 2 nd of May	PTA Friday Feast Lunch- Beef Nachos with cheese and sour cream for \$8
Thursday 8 th of May	Mobile Library visit
Friday 9 th of May	PTA Sausage Sizzle \$2 @ lunchtime
Friday 9 th of May	Whole School Assembly @ 1.45 everyone welcome.
Sunday 11 th of May	Mothers' Day
Friday 16 th of May	Pink Shirt Day. Wear pink to school and bring a gold coin donation if possible
Friday 9 th of May	PTA Sausage Sizzle \$2 @ lunchtime
Monday 19 th of May	Footsteps Dance lessons begin
Wednesday 21 st of May	Auckland Transport visit to school
Thursday 22 nd of May	Mobile Library visit
Friday 23 rd of May	Junior Tabloid Sports @ Tomarata School
Monday 26 th to Friday 30 th of May	Scholastic Book week @ Tomarata School
Thursday 29 th of May	Matariki Glow Show. Whole school trip to TAPAC @ Western Springs
Friday 30 th of May	Book character day! Parade at 9am in the hall.
Friday 30 th of May	Maybe a Miracle Show @ Tomarata School hall

Awesome kids doing awesome things

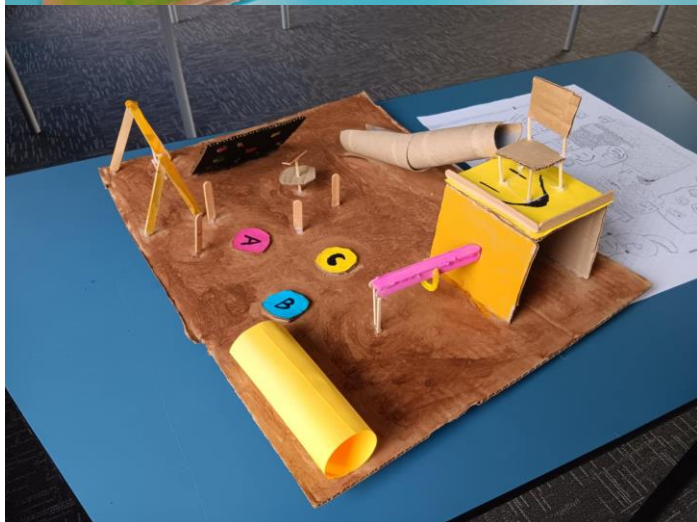


Glow Disco!



Pepper, our sometimes office dog

Playground Designs



Room 7 with Mr Rhodes on today's trip to harvest raupō

